1972 CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

BLEND

Xavier Vignon was just 3 years old in 1972!

This cuvée is a reflection of Xavier Vignon's passion for discovery. It is the fruit of his in depth knowledge of Châteauneuf-du-Pape and the interesting encounters he has shared over the 25 years with other winemakers from the appellation.

This wine is made form a single batch grown on a single domaine which has been aged in concrete vats in the very same place for almost 50 years! It has now been carefully selected by Xavier Vignon in order to bring out the very best of its complexity and finesse.

This vintage was an opportunity that was not to be missed. It is impossible these days to achieve such excellent acidity levels (equivalent to those of a white wine, or higher even!) which give this wine its extraordinary potential for bottle age.

A taste of the world as it used to be!

Varietals: Primarily Grenache Noir complemented by Cinsault as well as some white varietals, as was the tradition in the area (Grenache blanc and Clairette)

TERROIR

Representative of AOP Châteauneuf-du-Pape with its predominantly sand, rolled pebbles and red clay soils.

WINE MAKING

Traditional vinification using the ancient method of ageing in concrete vats.

AGEING POTENTIAL 50 years, drinking beautifully now

SERVICE Decant and serve at 16° in the summer and 18° in the winter

TASTING NOTES

Light hue with rusty glimmers. The nose discloses flint and leather. The palate is incredibly fresh and reveals notes of smoke and walnut. Its balance and finesse on the finish are nothing short of outstanding and attest to the remarkable complexity of this wine.



We will be a stonishing wines that we could ever taste today. This batch of Châteauneuf has remained in its original state with no oxy contact

and in complete inertia since the 1996 vintage ! It displays such incredible youth yet also a deep and unctuous structure, intense aromatic profile and velvety smooth tannins underpinned by excellent acidity that brings freshness to the spicy finish. »





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